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SUBJECT: LAWS GOVERNING FIREARM IMPORTATION

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1. REFTEL, PARA 2, DUE TO HIGH CRIME RATE, THE IMPORTATION OF FIREARMS INTO JAMAICA, AS A GENERAL RULE, IS BANNED. IF A LOCAL IMPORTER SHOULD REQUEST PERMISSION TO IMPORT FIREARMS UNDER SPECIAL CONDITIONS, HE MUST OBTAIN A PERMIT TO IMPORT THEM FROM THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE, 103 OLD HOPE ROAD, KINGSTON 6 KAGENCY OF THE MINISTRY OF NATIONAL SECURITY AND JUSTIC) WHICH EVALUATES THE NEED FOR IMPORTATION. EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS FROM MINISTRY OF NATIONAL SECURITY AND JUSTICE THAT OBTAINING OF AN IMPORT LICENSE FROM THE TRADE ADMINIST-RATOR'S OFFICE (148 1/2 EAST STREET, KINGSTON) OF THE JAMAICAN MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY, TOURISM, AND FOREIGN TRADE IS ALSO NECESSARY.

2. REFTEL, PARA 3, LOCAL AUTHORITIES PLACE STRICT CONTROLS ON DISPOSITION OF FIREARMS AFTER IMPORTATION. INDIVIDUAL GUN PURCHASERS MUST FILE APPLICATION WITH POLICE TO OBTAIN PURCHASE PERMIT. AFTER POLICE GIVES HIM PERMIT, HE TAKES IT TO GUN DEALER WHO FILLS IN INFO ABOUT GUN, AND STAMPS AND SIGNS THE PERMIT. THE BUYER THEN TAKES THE COMPLETED PERMIT TO POLICE WHO ISSUE HIM A LICENSE. HE TAKES LICENSE TO THE DEALER, COLLECTS THE GUN AND RETURNS TO POLICE WHO INSPECT

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THE GUN AND ISSUE THE BUYER A COMPLETED REGISTRATION

FORM.

3. COPY 1967 FIREARMS ACT OF JAMAICA WILL BE AIR POUCHED
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